EXHIBIT B

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March 14, 2016

VIA U.S. MAIL & EMAIL

Baker Hostetler LLP Attn: Dean Hunt, Esq. 811 Main Street Suite 1100 Houston, TX 77002-6111

Re:

Irving H. Picard, Trustee for the Liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC v. James B. Pinto Revocable Trust U/A DTD 12/1/03, et al. 08-01789 (SMB)

Adv. Pro. No. 10-04538 (SMB) [James B. Pinto]

Dear Mr. Hunt:

Enclosed and hereby served upon you is the following:

- Defendant James B. Pinto's Response to Trustee's First Set of Requests for Admission:
- Defendant James B. Pinto Revocable Trust U/A DTD 12/1/03 Response to Trustee's First Set of Requests for Admission; and,
- Certificate of Service.

By copy of this letter, Marc E. Hirschfield, Geraldine Ponto, Farrell Hochmuth and Kevin H. Bell are also served.

Very truly yours,

Robert M. McClay

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Encs.

cc: James B. Pinto via email w/ encs.

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Defendant James B. Pinto, by and through the undersigned, gives the following for Defendant's Response to Trustee's First Set of Requests for Admission¹:

 Admit that Exhibit B to the Trustee's Complaint accurately reflects the complete history of the transactions affecting the principal balance calculation of the Account.

RESPONSE: Admit.^{2,3}

 Admit that Exhibit B to the Trustee's Complaint accurately reflects the complete history of the transactions concerning the Account.

RESPONSE: Admit. (See footnote 2 and footnote 3).

3. Admit that Column 4 of Exhibit B to the Complaint accurately reflects the deposits made into the Account.

RESPONSE: Admit. (See footnote 2).

4. Admit that Column 5 of Exhibit B to the Complaint accurately reflects the

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² Defendant limits his Response to this Request for Admission only to transactions within the 2-year look-back of December 11, 2006 through December 11, 2008.

³ Defendant limits his Response to this Request for Admission to \$752,000 (\$827,000 less the \$75,000 check dated December 8, 2006 which may be outside the 2-year look-back of December 11, 2006 through December 11, 2008).

withdrawals from the Account.

RESPONSE: Admit. (See footnote 2 and footnote 3).

 Admit that, over the life of the Account, \$2,026,750 was withdrawn from the Account.

RESPONSE: See footnote 2.

6. Admit that the Trust received the withdrawals from the Account listed in Column 5 of Exhibit B to the Complaint.

RESPONSE: Admit. (See footnote 2 and footnote 3).

7. Admit that You received the withdrawals from the Account listed in Column 5 of Exhibit B to the Complaint.

RESPONSE: Admit. (See footnote 2 and footnote 3).

8. Admit that, of the \$2,026,750 that was withdrawn from the Account, none consisted of principal.

RESPONSE: Admit. (See footnote 2).

9. Admit that, of the \$2,026,750 withdrawn from the account, \$2,026,750 was in excess of principal.

RESPONSE: Admit. (See footnote 2).

 Admit that \$2,026,750 more was withdrawn from the Account than was deposited into the Account.

RESPONSE: Admit. (See footnote 2).

11. Admit that between December 11, 2006 and December 11, 2008, \$827,000 in excess of principal was withdrawn from the Account.

RESPONSE: Deny. (See footnote 3).

12. Admit that between December 11, 2006 and December 11, 2008, the Trust received the \$827,000 in excess of principal that was withdrawn from the Account.

RESPONSE: Deny. (See footnote 3).

13. Admit that between December 11, 2006 and December 11, 2008, You received the \$827,000 in excess of principal that was withdrawn from the Account.

RESPONSE: Deny. (See footnote 3).

14. Admit that BLMIS made all Transfers to the Trust between December 11, 2006 and December 11, 2008, with actual intent to hinder, delay, or defraud BLMIS investors.

RESPONSE: Deny.

15. Admit that BLMIS was operating a Ponzi scheme as alleged in the Complaint.

RESPONSE: Deny.

16. Admit that the customer statements the Trust received from BLMIS reflect the withdrawals the Trust made from the Account.

RESPONSE: Admit⁴. (See footnote 2).

17. Admit that each withdrawal from the Account was made by You, on behalf of the Trust.

RESPONSE: Admit. (See footnote 2).

18. Admit that from December 2003 to December 2008, the Trust made zero (0) cash deposits into the Account.

RESPONSE: See footnote 2.

19. Admit that from December 2003 to December 2008, the Trust made forty-one(41) withdrawals from the Account totaling \$2,026,750.

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RESPONSE:

See footnote 2.

20. Admit that each withdrawal shown in Column 5 to Exhibit B of the Complaint went to one or more bank or brokerage accounts held by You or the Trust.

RESPONSE:

Admit. (See footnote 2).

21. Admit that each withdrawal shown in Column 5 to Exhibit B of the Complaint was deposited into one or more bank accounts held at Bank of America, Wachovia Securities, LLC, First Clearing LLC, Bank of New York, or Sanford C. Bernstein & Co., LLC.

RESPONSE:

Admit. (See footnote 2).

22. Admit that You are a trustee of the Trust.

RESPONSE:

Admit.

23. Admit that You are a beneficiary of the Trust.

RESPONSE:

Admit.

24. Admit that You received distributions from the Trust during the Applicable Period.

RESPONSE:

Admit. (See footnote 2).

25. Admit that all funds withdrawn from the Account were for Your benefit.

RESPONSE:

Admit.

26. Admit that funds withdrawn from the Account were for distributions to You, individually, from the Trust.

RESPONSE:

Admit.

27. Admit that You received funds from the Trust between December 11, 2006 and the present.

RESPONSE:

Admit. (See footnote 2 and footnote 3).

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28. Admit that You received funds from the Account, directly or indirectly, between December 11, 2006 and the present.

RESPONSE:

Admit. (See footnote 2 and footnote 3).

29. Admit that You received Subsequent Transfers that were initially Transferred by BLMIS to the Trust.

RESPONSE:

Admit. (See footnote 2).

30. Admit that You received any part of any of the withdrawals set forth in Column5 of Exhibit B to the Complaint.

RESPONSE:

Admit. (See footnote 2).

31. Admit that attached to customer claim numbers 012050, 012836, and 012846 are true and correct copies of pages from BLMIS monthly customer statements for the Account, received by Sidney Kaplan of Parsinen Kaplan Rosberg from BLMIS.

RESPONSE:

Deny.

32. Admit that attached to customer claim numbers 012050, 012836, and 012846 is a true and correct copy of a BLMIS monthly customer statement for the Account for the period ending February 29, 2004, received by the Trust from BLMIS.

RESPONSE:

Deny.

33. Admit that attached to customer claim numbers 012050, 012836, and 012846 is a true and correct copy of a Certificate of Trust by Grantor relating to the Trust.

RESPONSE:

Deny.

Dated: March 14, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

- 1. The undersigned hereby certifies that a hard copy of the foregoing:
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 - 2. Defendant James B. Pinto Revocable Trust U/A DTD 12/1/03 Response to Trustee's First Set of Requests for Admission;

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2. Per Order Establishing Notice Procedures and Limiting Notice for Avoidance Actions dated December 5, 2011, Exhibit 1(I)(a), individuals who have filed a Notice of Appearance containing an email address have consented to electronic service. A copy of the foregoing has been emailed to and thereby served upon Kevin H. Bell, Esq. on behalf of Plaintiff, Securities Investor Protection Corporation, who has made an appearance in this adversary proceeding at his email address of kbell@sipc.org.

this 14th day of March, 2016.

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